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SUBJECT: OWAMBO ELECTIONS

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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

1. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT RECENT OWAMBO ELECTIONS PROVIDE EXCELLENT PEG UPON WHICH EMBASSY MIGHT AGAIN SEEK SAG PERMISSION FOR EMBOFF TO VISIT OVAMBOLAND. IN VIEW OF REPORTED LARGE VOTER TURNOUT, SAG MIGHT WELL BE WILLING TO PERMIT VISIT. ON THE SPOT ASSESSMENT OF ELECTION RESULTS AND SENTIMENTS OF PEOPLE WOULD PROVIDE US WITH A CLEARER READING OF CURRENT SWAPO POSITION IN OVAMBOLAND AS WELL AS INDIGENOUS VIEWS ON FUTURE OF AREA. WE RECOGNIZE THAT SAG MIGHT ATTEMPT TO SET RESTRICTIONS ON TRAVEL AND ACCESS TO POPULATION, BUT BELIEVE THAT EMBASSY COULD SUCCESSFULLY RESIST IMPOSITION OF SUCH RESTRICTIONS.

2. WE WOULD WELCOME YOUR VIEWS. INGERSOLL

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